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Subject: RE: EPA COVID-19 Health & Safety Guidelines for Field Activities

Hi Ola:

Please take a look at the Frequently Asked Questions about Grants and COVID-19:

[Frequent Questions about Grants and Coronavirus \(COVID-19\)](#)

These outline some specific ways to either change your inspection commitments or seek an extension. [This question/answer](#) should give you some additional information (as well as the other Q&As).

Hope this helps!

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Thanks for the information!

Our program inspectors are not permitted to go out in the field yet. The management is putting together similar guidance for our field inspectors and they want them calling first before going into any regulated establishment. My question is, would there be an extension in the marketplace inspection and sample collection due date from September 2020 due to this reasons?

Thanks, Ola

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Thanks Claudia. This is very helpful.

Have a great weekend!



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Subject: [External] EPA COVID-19 Health & Safety Guidelines for Field Activities

Hi All:

This week we were provided with EPA's [COVID-19 Health & Safety Guidelines for Field Activities](#). This guidance is primarily directed at EPA field staff (including any inspectors from States and Tribes operating with an EPA inspector credential); you may find this of general interest in planning any other upcoming field activities. I'll let you know if I hear anything further or if any additional guidance is provided to us.

Please let me know if you have any questions.

Thanks!

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